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Pullett's Chapel
Whaleyville
Public worship

1892

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HISTORIC CONTENT INFORMATION

Resource Name: PULLETT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

MHT Inventory Number: W0-232

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA:

- 1) Historic Period Theme(s): ARCHITECTURE
RELIGION
- 2) Geographic Orientation: EASTERN SHORE
- 3) Chronological/Developmental Period(s):
INDUSTRIAL/URBAN DOMINANCE
1870-1930
- 4) Resource Type(s):
Church

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

Survey No. WO-232

Magi No.

DOE ___yes ___no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic PULLETT'S CHAPEL

and/or common PULLETT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

2. Location

street & number Blueberry Road ___ not for publication

city, town Whaleyville ___ vicinity of congressional district First

state Maryland county Worcester

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
___ district	___ public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	___ agriculture	___ museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	___ unoccupied	___ commercial	___ park
___ structure	___ both	___ work in progress	___ educational	___ private residence
___ site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	___ entertainment	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> religious
___ object	___ in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	___ government	___ scientific
	___ being considered	___ yes: unrestricted	___ industrial	___ transportation
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	___ no	___ military	___ other:

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Trustees of Pullet United Methodist Church

street & number Blueberry Road c/o Rev. A.L. George telephone no.:

city, town Whaleyville state and zip code MD 21872

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. liber

street & number folio

city, town state

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date ___ federal ___ state ___ county ___ local

pository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

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Condition

☐ excellent
☒ good
☐ fair

☐ deteriorated
☐ ruins
☐ unexposed

Check one

☐ unaltered
☒ altered

Check one

☒ original site
☐ moved date of move _____

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

Pullett United Methodist Church, simply known as Pullett's Chapel, stands on the west side of Blueberry Road in the community of Whaleyville, Worcester County, Maryland. The single-story ell-shaped frame church faces south with the principal gable roof oriented on an east/west axis.

Built in 1892, the single-story ell-shaped frame church, supported on a brick pier foundation, is sheathed with asbestos shingles, and it is covered by a steeply pitched asphalt shingle roof that has exposed and decorated rafter feet. Rising in the southeast corner of the ell-shaped structure is an entrance and bell tower that is topped by an octagonal spire.

The south asymmetrical main facade includes the gable front elevation of the ell-shaped church combined with the south face of the entrance tower. The south wall of the church is marked by three pointed arch colored glass windows. The south facade of the adjacent tower is marked by the main entrance, which has replacement doors. The tower rises to an octagonal drum that supports an octagonal spire. The spire is finished with a metal and glass finial.

The east elevation of the chapel is detailed in the same manner with a gabled elevation marked by three pointed arch colored glass windows. A shed roofed addition, supported on concrete blocks, has been attached to the east side of the entrance tower. Single-flue brick stove chimneys rise through the sides of the church.

The north wall of the turn of the century structure has been partially covered by a gable roofed addition. Supported on a concrete block foundation, the addition is marked by pointed arch colored glass windows which were evidently reused.

The interior of the church was not seen.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400–1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500–1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600–1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700–1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800–1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900–	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates 1892

Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria: ☒A ☐B ☐C ☐D
and/or

Applicable Exception: ☒A ☐B ☐C ☐D ☐E ☐F ☐G

Level of Significance: ☐national ☐state ☒local

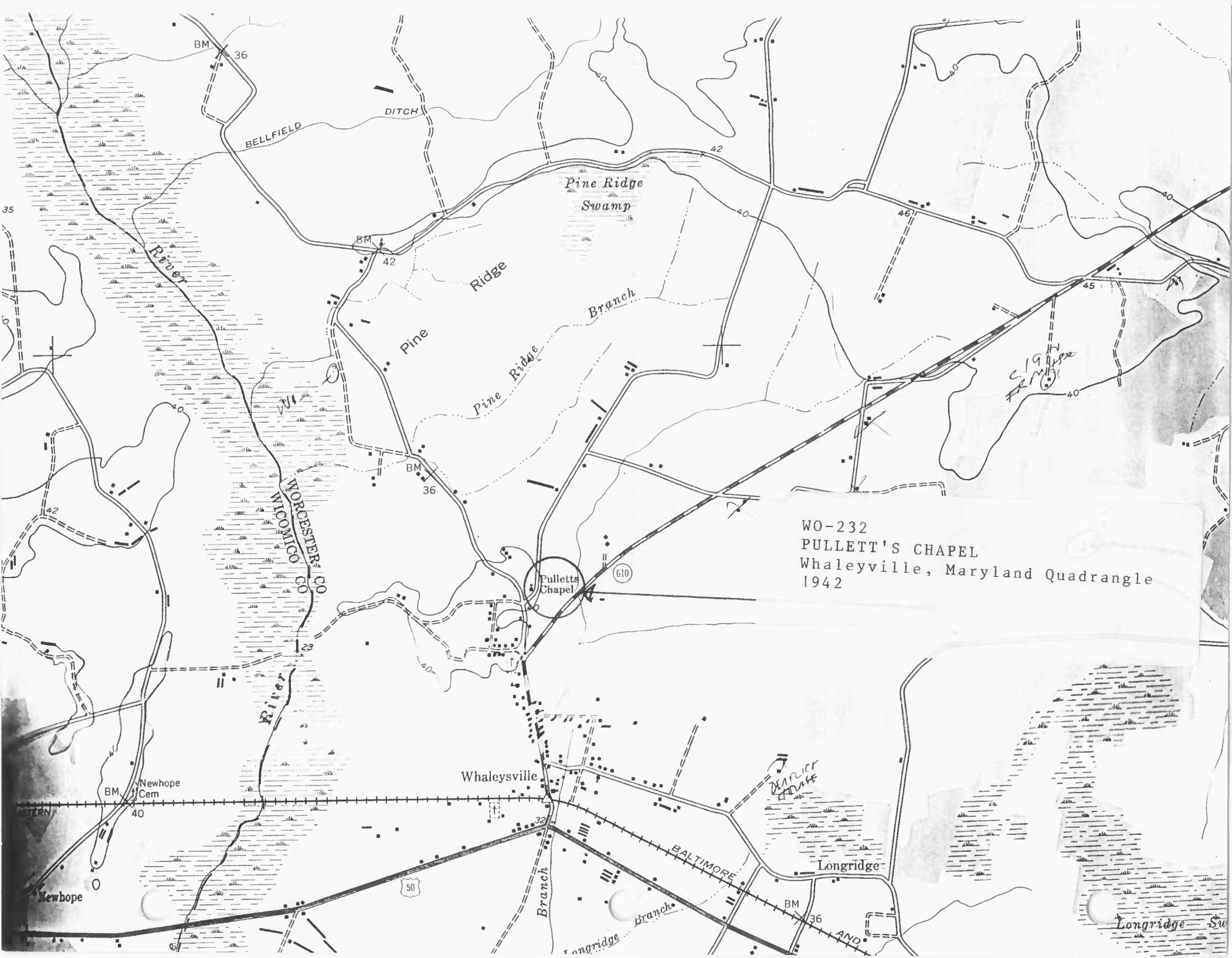
Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

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PURVIS'S CHAPEL

Winchester, Waver Co. N.H.

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